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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**
 - a. ☒ Previously submitted
 - i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed June 15, 2007.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
 - b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☐ Response/Preliminary Amendment
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☒ Petition for 2-month Extension of Time
2. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
 - b. ☐ Other _____
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 - ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. ☒ Other: Excess claims fee
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